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Letter dated 22 March 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Uganda to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to refer to the letter dated 17 March 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations, in which he alleges that the troops of the Rwandan Patriotic Army entered two Congolese towns. In an allegation which has nothing to do with Uganda, the Chargé d'affaires drags in the name of my country towards the end of his letter and calls on the Security Council to condemn Uganda.

The Government of Uganda would like to make it clear that it objects and rejects categorically such allegations and insinuations, which are divisive and not conducive to solving the main problem in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Uganda wishes to state that it is totally committed to the Lusaka ceasefire agreement and peace process and the relevant Security Council resolutions in resolving the current crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Uganda, therefore, calls upon the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and all signatories to the Lusaka ceasefire agreement to honour and abide by the agreement so that a durable solution can be found.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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